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La Tienda Gift Shop

Tues. 12 - 5 pm &
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Café Vox Populi

Wed. – Sun. 5:30 pm
(510) 548-5514

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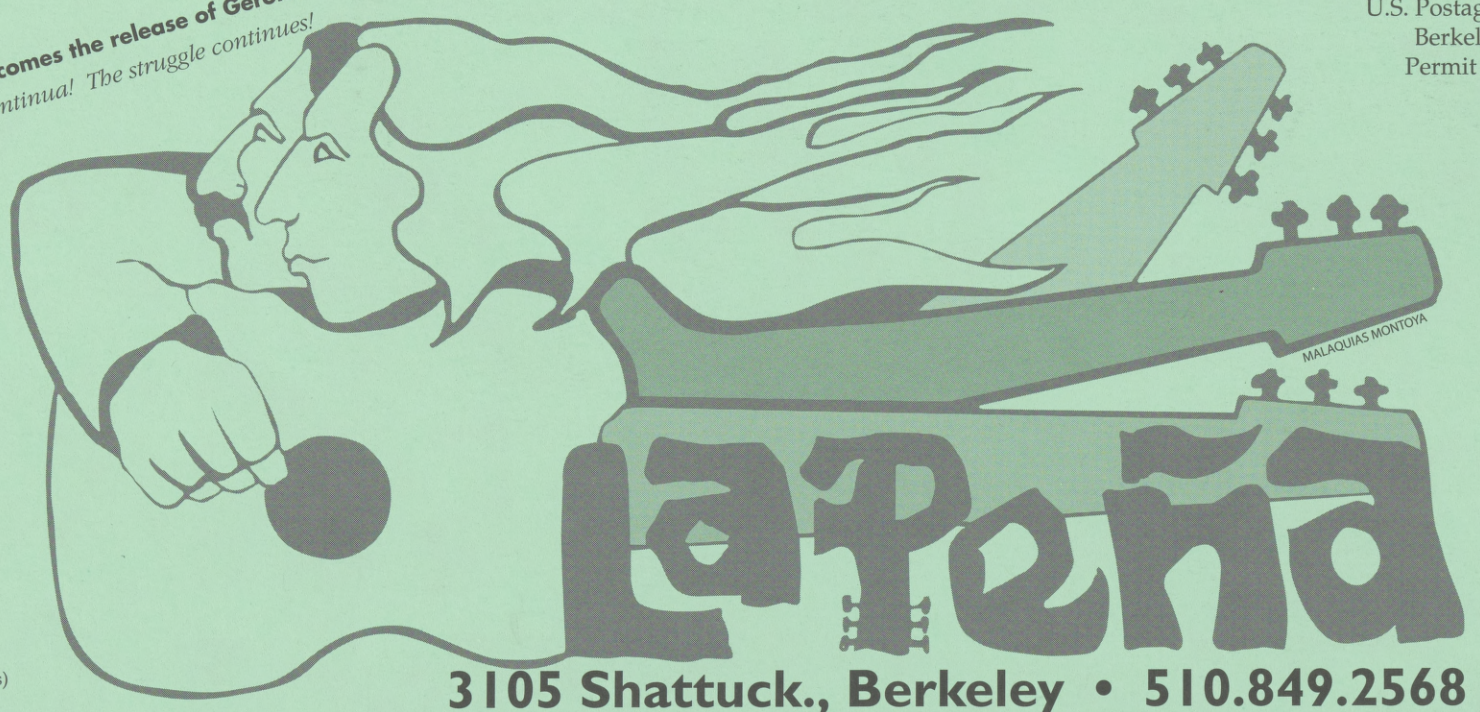
La Peña is wheelchair accessible.

La Peña welcomes the release of Geronimo Pratt
La Lucha Continua! The struggle continues!



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Cultural Center Calendar July 1997

MAR - TUE	MIER - WED	JUEV - THURS	VIER - FRI	SAB - SAT

CAFE VOX POPULI EXHIBITS

Balance con Huevos: Awareness of Power
Photography by Kristina Ruiz-Healy

Blue Box Presents: **Earth Tones**
A multi-cultural art show exploring the earth and its human connections. Video installation, Voices, a visual Journey into the the Lives of Five Artists.

Both exhibits run until **Aug. 3**.

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La Peña gratefully acknowledges funding support for our programs from the following: Alameda County Arts Commission; Berkeley Civic Arts Commission; California Arts Council, a state agency; East Bay Community Foundation, Fleishacker Foundation, James Irvine Foundation; LEF Foundation; National Endowment for the Arts, a Federal agency that supports the visual, literary and performing arts to benefit all Americans; Poets & Writers, Target, Vanguard Public Foundation; and Zellerbach Family Fund.

2 **CAFE POETRY.** Hosted By Blake Tolbert. Feedback Open Mic. **8pm $2 donation**

Colectivo La Revista presenta Muestra de Cine Chileno
(Todos los miércoles de Julio)
Caluga o Menta (video, color, 100 min. dir. Gonzalo Justiniano) Una crónica dura y áspera del hastío y de la falta de oportunidades. En un mundo de violencia y falta de sentido, dos jóvenes marginales llegan a la delincuencia casi por obligación.
8:30pm $3-10*

3 **BENEFIT/UPDATE**

Report back from Iraq: A Benefit for the Children
Middle East Children's Alliance Director Barbara Lubin will update us and show slides from her recent trip delivering medicine to Iraq. 1 million Iraqis have died, and 14,000 continue dying monthly as a result of UN/US imposed sanctions.
7:30pm $5-10*

4 **BENEFIT CONCERT**

Independencia y Viva Cuba
Continue the fight for true independence, democracy and justice in the U.S. and support Cuba in an alternative 4th of July celebration. **Hip hop, spoken word, jazz, dance music, and words of wisdom, brought to you by Supernatural Productions.** Proceeds help members of the Young Comrades attend the Annual Youth Festival in Cuba. **Hosted by Omolara.**
8pm $5-10*

5 **DANCE/BAILE**

West African Highlife Band
"This is truly a supergroup, brought together by the joy of music making....A tribute to the hits that motivated the feet of a generation of African youth".

J. Poet Express and Guardian music critic

9:30pm $8

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General and Ticket Information

For programs that indicate that advance tickets are available, you may purchase those tickets at our store, La Tienda, up to 5 pm on the day of the show. **We now accept charges by phone.**

You may send a check and self-addressed stamped envelope to La Peña at least one and a half weeks before the show and we'll send you the tickets. **Tickets are now available for some selected programs on our web site at www.lapena.org.**

9 **CAFE POETRY.** Hosted By Joyce E. Young. Featured reader Michael Dominguez. **8pm $2**

Colectivo La Revista presenta Muestra de Cine Chileno
Johnny Cien Pesos (video,. color. 90 min. dir. Gustavo Graff Marino.) Johnny y su banda son descubiertos al asaltar una casa de cambio en Santiago viéndose envueltos en una serie de hechos dramáticos. Un trágico y violento drama humano sobre un hecho real. **8:30pm $3-10***

10 **CONCERT**

Damien

Damien Masterson's recent cd *Intercambio* is deeply imbued with Brazilian jazz influences as well as from Astor Piazzola, the great Argentine tango musician.

8pm $7 gen. $5 students

11 **CONCERT**

Arauco
A night of Andean and Latin American music plus slides and poetry. "If the quest for a better world could be achieved by beautiful music alone we would all be living in paradise by the end of Arauco's show rather than leaving it."
–L. Kelp, EB Express
8:30pm $7

12 **POETRY/JAZZ CONCERT**

Naru presents

ORGANIC CREATIONS

Live acoustic spoken word jazz with a hip hop flavor. Special suprise guest appearances

8pm $7

13 **BENEFIT**

Mixing it up: a coming out party for Quilombo
A group of cultural activists celebrate Quilombo's coming out in the Bay Area. Hosted by **Elias Farajaje-Jones** and **Manuel Kalidas Kongo.**

6:30pm $3-10*

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15 **DISCUSSION**

The Progressive Alliance of Alameda County in association with La Peña presents monthly forums focusing on different monthly topics. This month's topic is the federal budget and the increased spending for the military, tax breaks for the rich, and cuts in social services.
7pm $2-$5*

16 **CAFE POETRY**
Poetry Writing Workshop
Theme: Poetry of Liberation.
Facilitated by Nina Serrano and Diane Wang. **7pm $2 donation**

Colectivo La Revista presenta Muestra de Cine Chileno
Chacal de Nahueltoro (video, blanco y negro. 120 min. dir. Miguel Littin) Uno de los mayores éxitos del cine chileno. Con un profundo sentido social y con asombrosa autenticidad, el film pone en tela de juicio a la justicia chilena que reforma a un vago, asesino, para luego llevarlo al patíbulo. **8:30pm $3-10***

17 **MURAL CELEBRATION**

Who Holds the Mirror?
The Breast Cancer Oral History Action Project invites you to a celebration of the traveling mural Who Holds the Mirror? Breast Cancer, Women's Lives and the Environment, co-created by BCOHAP(in collaboration with muralist Miranda Bergman). Spon. by the Women's Cancer Resource Center. Refreshments served. **7pm free**

18 **CONCERT/DANCE**

Double bill with the Irrationals and Robert Temple and Serious Noyz

The Irrationals are a spirited, versatile, a cappella sextet singing a soulful blend of R & B jazz and gospel. Robert Temple and Serious Noyz is a quintet that plays original, funky rock with razor sharp lyrics.

8:30pm $8

19 **CONCERT**

Faye Carol & Kito Gamble Sextet

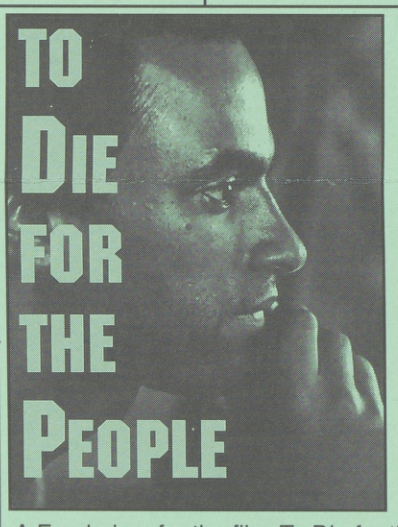
An evening of blues, jazz, Latin, and original music with the Bay Area's premiere vocalist accompanied by Kito Gamble's sensational sextet.

8:30pm $15 day of show
$12 in advance

Advance tickets available at La Tienda.

20 Groovin on a Sunday afternoon - Hail Bebop 2: Musickoolaid, positive music, rap and poetry **3pm $5**

Benefit for *To Die for the People*, a documentary of the life of Huey P. Newton
Remembering Huey and the Panthers, a dialogue with **David Hilliard**, of the Black Panther Party and filmmaker **Nicole Atkinson**, co-producer of *Black is Black Ain't*; never before seen slides of Huey Newton in Cuba and sneak previews from the documentary in progress.
7pm $10*



A Fundraiser for the film *To Die for the People* **Sun. July 20 • 7pm**. Also, update on Geronimo Pratt.

23 **CAFE POETRY**
Hosted By Richard Moore
8pm $2

Colectivo La Revista presenta Muestra de Cine Chileno
La Frontera (video, color. 120 min.) Dir. Ricardo Larraín) Durante la dictadura, Ramiro Orellana es condenado a un exilio interno. Llega a la zona de la Frontera, límite histórico entre los mapuches y la colonización española. Ramiro descubrirá una nueva dimensión de la vida, que lo hará atravesar sus propias fronteras interiores.
8:30pm $3-10*

24 **VIDEO PREMIERE & BENEFIT**

Next Year in Havana
A documentary by **Lori Beraha**, follows the footsteps of a group of North American Jews on a trip to Havana, Cuba to celebrate the holiday of Passover with the small but diverse Jewish community there.
7:30pm $5-$15*

25 **DANCE /CONCERT**

Avalon Rising & THOTH
An evening of music and dance, performed by two of the Bay Area's most original bands. Avalon Rising's Celtic, Medieval, Rock and THOTH's tribal Gypsy trance is exotic, mesmerizing music which crosses the boundaries of culture and time.
8pm $10

26 **BAILE/DANCE**

Commemorate the July 26 Movement with
Conjunto Céspedes

Afro-Cuban Dance Music

9:30pm $10

27 **CONCERT**

Duo Union de Maestros en concierto
Cuban piano phenom **Omar Sosa** and Bay Area percussionist extraordinaire **John Santos** will present an evening of original and improvisational music in the East Bay debut of this duo.
7:30pm $8

30 **CAFE POETRY**
Hosted By Michael K.K. Smith
8pm $2 donation

Colectivo La Revista presenta Muestra de Cine Chileno
Amnesia (video, color, 120 min.) Dir: Gonzalo Justiniano. Un ex agente de Pinochet reconoce a uno de sus jefes que lo obligó a torturar y se trata de vengar. Después de muchos años de dictadura, el perdón y el olvido, la justicia y la verdad son temas que comienzan de apoco a emerger a la superficie de la memoria chilena. **8:30pm $3-10***

31 **POE-ATRICAL PRODUCTION**

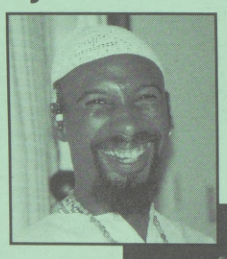
10 poets + a Mic= change / love

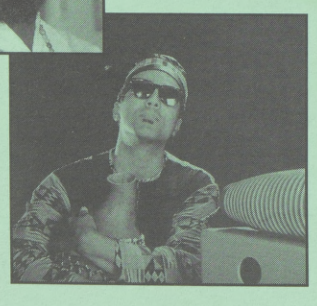
An ensemble of griot -empowered poets fusing spoken word and theatrics over the deep sounds of live Afro-jazz. Come join them in the healing.

8pm $5

¡Celebremos el 26 de Julio!
July 26 is a significant date in Latin American history because it marks the 44th anniversary of the attack on the Moncada garrison in Santiago Cuba that led to the eventual toppling of the Batista dictatorship in 1959. We celebrate this occasion with **Conjunto Céspedes, Sat. July 26, 9:30pm.**

John Santos and Omar Sosa in Concert Sunday July 27 • 8pm





Malaquias Montoya note cards available at La Tienda

La Tienda at La Peña

Celebrate La Peña's 22nd anniversary with a La Peña t-shirt or baseball cap from La Peña's not-for-profit community store. We have La Peña T-shirts and La Peña baseball caps, as well as old favorites Ché Guevara, Sub-Comandante Marcos and Emiliano Zapata.

BOOKS IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH

News of a Kidnapping, Gabriel Garcia Márquez, *Anything We Love Can Be Saved*, Alice Walker, *Ché Guevara: A Revolutionary Life*, Jon Anderson, *Voices From The Streets and Voices From the Fields*, Beth Atkin and *El Año Que Estuvimos en Ninguna Parte*, by Paco Ignacio Taibo II, a book which answers the question of where Ché Guevara spent the year of 1965.

MUSIC

Malembe, new from Jesus Alemany, The (almost) complete works of Los Van Van, N.G. La Banda, Irakere, Los Muñequitos, Manny Oquendo and Libre.

Cook, Eat Cha Cha Cha cookbook

La Tienda carries notebooks made from recycled paper with added banana fiber and postcard portraits of Victor Jara from the Fundación Victor Jara in Chile. Mail and Phone orders accepted, but quantities are limited.

JULY HIGHLIGHTS

West African Highlife Band
Sat. July 5
9:30pm

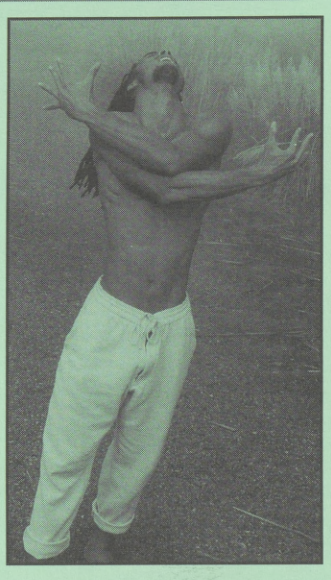
Great West African dance music with musicians from local Afro-pop combos Zulu Spear, Kotoja, the Nigerian All Stars and Hedzoleh Soundz.

Organic Creation Sat. July 12

From 10 poets and a mic Thur. July 3 1 8pm

Poetry Highlights

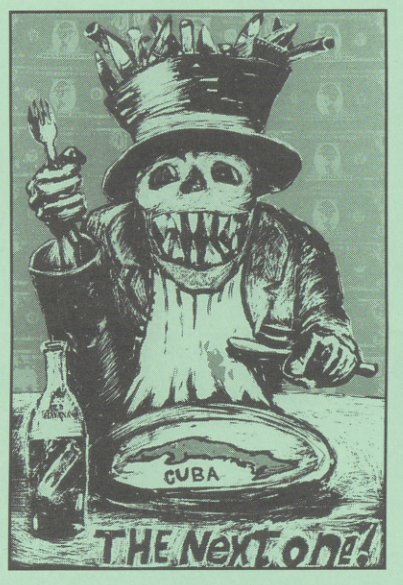
This month we feature: Wed. open mic poetry, Groovin on a Sunday Afternoon, Organic Creations, Young Comrades go to Cuba, and 10 poets and a mic.



Harmonica Virtuoso Damien in Concert
Thur. July 10 • 8pm

"It was a delightful surprise to hear and watch SF harmonica player Damien and his swinging Latin jazz-funk band." – Phil Elwood *SF Examiner music critic.*

From a painting by Andres Cisneros Galindo



Faye Carol & Kito Gamble Sextet
July 19 • 8:30pm

Faye Carol and Kito Gamble serve up an evening of blues, jazz, Latin, and original music. One of the Bay Area's premiere vocalists, Faye Carol has performed at major jazz venues such as Kimballs and Yoshis. Kito's piano playing is a treat for audiences as well.

Cuba Events

July 4, a benefit for Young Comrades to attend International Youth festival, **July 24**, screening of the film Next year in Havana, a documentary about Jews in Havana.
July 26, a dance with Conjunto Cespedes

Avalon Rising and THOTH
Friday July 25 • 8pm

An evening of music and dance, performed by two of the Bay Area's most original bands. Avalon Rising's Celtic, Medieval, Rock and THOTH's tribal Gypsy trance is exotic, mesmerizing music which crosses the boundaries of culture and time.

In Loving Memory of Isa Mura
Flamenco Dancer
Your spirit is with us!

Volunteer at La Peña

Volunteers participate in La Peña's programs by staffing evening events, working on special publicity and outreach projects, assisting special publicity and outreach projects, providing daytime clerical support, and doing light carpentry. **There is a minimum time commitment of two evenings a month**. For more info. call Elena Serrano at 510-849-2568 ext. 11.

Ad Space Available. Ad space limited to not-for profit activities. Cost: $35 a column inch. For more info. call our ad dept. at 849-2568 ext. 17.

Support La Peña's Work of Cultural Activism for Social Justice

Since 1975, La Peña (gathering place) has celebrated the diverse cultures that make up the Americas. La Peña offers a variety of cultural programs, free classes, and arts in the schools, and remains firmly committed to presenting programs that address the issues of racism, social and economic inequities, the environment, gender and sexuality, and other important issues that impact all our communities. If you value our contribution to the cultural and political life in the Bay Area, please consider making a tax-deductible contribution.

❑ ***Yes, I want to help support La Peña's cultural activism for Social Justice! Enclosed is my tax-deductible donation.***

❑ $1000 ❑ $500 ❑ $100 ❑ $50 ❑ $30 ❑ $_____

❑ Please charge my gift to my VISA / MASTERCARD (circle one)

Account#_____Exp. Date _____Signature _____

❑ I would like to become a La Peña bill-of-the-month supporter.

Enclosed is my first monthly pledge of $_____(minimum monthly pledge $5)

❑ Please send me the calendar for free for six months. ❑ I'm interested in volunteering. Please call me.

❑ **Please send me the calendar for one year. Enclosed is $10 to cover the cost of mailing.**

Name _____

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Return to: La Peña Cultural Center, 3105 Shattuck Ave. Berkeley, CA 94705

Call Elena Serrano at 849-2568, ext.11 for information regarding electronic funds transfer, a painless way to make a monthly donation.

Since 1975, more than 500 community groups have used La Peña's facilities. The use of our space by these organizations does not mean that La Peña endorses the views presented. La Peña feels that it is important to help stimulate an environment conducive to discussion and understanding among different peoples and points of view.

LA PEÑA SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

La Peña is proud to offer free Latin American workshops sponsored by the California Arts Council Artist in Residence program and La Peña. Enrollment is limited and permission from the instructor is required. For more information, call (510) 849-2568 Ext. 16, M - F 12 - 5 pm. (TS = Theater Space, CR = Community Room behind La Tienda.

MONDAYS
South American Music Ensemble - Free
(6:00 - 9:00 pm, TS) Instructor: Rafael Manriquez
Open to singers, guitar, charango, quena, zampoña and other instrumentalists.

Beginning Afro-Venezuelan Percussion – Free By permission of instructor.
(6:00 - 7:30 pm, CR) Instructor: Jackeline Rago (see note in Tue. listing)
Students must bring their own drums. Congas are welcome.

Intermediate Venezuelan Percussion – Free. Session closed
(7:30 - 9:00 pm, CR) Instructor: Jackeline Rago (see note in Tue. listing)

TUESDAYS
Jackeline Rago will be on break from July 4-July 24
NO VENEZUELAN MUSIC CLASSES
Beginning Venezuelan Cuatro - Free. Session closed (see note above)
6:00 – 7:00 pm, CR) Instructor: Jackeline Rago

Latin American Ensemble – Free. Session closed (see note above)
(7:00 -8:00 pm, CR) Instructor: Jackeline Rago

Intermediate Venezuelan Cuatro - Free. Session closed (see note above)
(8:00 – 9:00pm, CR) Instructor: Jackeline Rago

Latin American Chorus – **Monthly Membership Dues Required**
(7:45 – 10:00 pm, TS) Director: Lichi Fuentes. For chorus info. call Nancy Gendel at 845-5161.

WEDNESDAYS
Beginning Latin American Guitar - Free
(6:00 - 7:00pm, CR) Instructor: Rafael Manriquez

Intermediate Latin American Guitar - Free
(7:00 - 8:00 pm, CR) Instructor: Rafael Manriquez

Advanced Latin American Guitar - Free
(8:00 - 9:00 pm, CR) Instructor: Rafael Manriquez

EVERY THIRD WEDNESDAY
Poetry Writing Workshop – Nina Serrano and Diane Wang invite aspiring and established writers to participate in this open workshop/reading every third Wednesday. Workshop begins at 7pm- $2 donation.

THURSDAYS
Beginning Afro-Cuban Rhythms (5:30-7:30pm, CR) Instructor Guillermo Céspedes , $25/4 or $7 for 1 class

NEW CLASS–ADVANCED A CAPELLA PERFORMANCE ENSEMBLE
(7:45-945, CR) Session closed. Call 849-2568 ext. 16.

SATURDAYS
Please note: New Time–A capella Singing, (10am-12noon, CR) Instructor Joey Blake, FREE A capella ensemble Workshop (12noon – 2pm, CR) Free

FREE VISUAL ART CLASSES AT SAN ANTONIO PARK IN OAKLAND
Taller Sin Fronteras offers free painting classes with Mexican artist Jesus Pérez. For more information call Greg Morozumi at La Peña, 849-2568 ext. 13.

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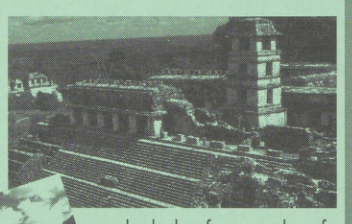
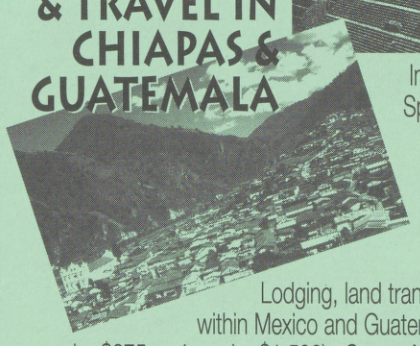
4 WEEKS OF SPANISH LEARNING & TRAVEL IN CHIAPAS & GUATEMALA





Includes four weeks of Spanish learning, travel and interaction that starts in **Chiapas (July 2-16)**, and ends in **Guatemala (July 16-30, 1997)**. Lodging, land transportation and meals within Mexico and Guatemala are included. (2 weeks-$875 or 4 weeks-$1,500). **Space is limited, make your reservation today by sending $200 to Centro Latino**, 2530 San Pablo Ave., Ste. E, Berkeley, CA 94702. (Memo your check
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